

Date FEBRUARY 1, 1969

1. Agency DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
Component/location ARGENTINE POLITICAL & DEVELOPMENTAL AFFAIRS  
BUREAU OF INTER-AMERICAN AFFAIRS (APA/ADU/A)  
Purpose or principal activity (military planning, foreign aid, briefing, research, etc.) GENERAL ADMINISTRATION OF U.S./ARGENTINE BILATERAL RELATIONS  
Your position (job title) CHIEF, ARGENTINE POLITICAL AFFAIRS  
Your fields of responsibility (geographic area and/or specialty) THE ENTIRE RANGE  
OF U.S.-ARGENTINE POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, DEVELOPMENTAL & CULTURAL AFFAIRS
2. Is the NIS Production Status Report available for your use?  Yes  No  
Do you regularly use it?  Yes  No
3. Receipt of NIS units is:  
 Regular and systematic       Irregular, with some gaps       Sporadic and uncertain

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4. Below is a list of available NIS publications.

a) Indicate in column I the frequency of use by means of the following symbols:

A=Regularly      B=Occasionally      C=Rarely      D=Never

b) Indicate in column II your use, according to the following symbols (multiple uses may be indicated):

1=Planning and operations	4=General background and orientation
2=Research, analysis, and production	5=Other (specify) <u>SPOT REFERENCE</u>
3=Briefings	

Col. I	Col. II		Col. I	Col. II
<u>A</u> <u>2 5 4</u>	General Survey (check sections used most frequently) <input type="checkbox"/> Chronology <input type="checkbox"/> Introduction <input type="checkbox"/> Geography <input type="checkbox"/> Transp. and Telecom. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sociological <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Political <input type="checkbox"/> Economic <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Armed Forces <input type="checkbox"/> Area Brief <input type="checkbox"/> Summary Map		<u>C</u> <u>5</u>	Telcommunications
<u>B</u> <u>2 4 5</u>	Basic Intelligence Factbook		<u>C</u> <u>5</u>	Population
<u>D</u> - - - -	Coasts and Landing Beaches		<u>D</u> - - - -	Characteristics of the People
<u>C</u> <u>5</u> - -	Weather and Climate		<u>B</u> <u>5 4</u> - -	Religion, Education, and Public Information
<u>D</u> - - - -	Meteorological Organization and Facilities		<u>D</u> - - - -	Manpower
<u>C</u> <u>5</u> - - -	Topography		<u>C</u> <u>5</u> - - -	Health and Sanitation
<u>C</u> <u>5</u> - - -	Urban Areas		<u>B</u> <u>5 4</u> - -	Intelligence and Security
<u>C</u> <u>5</u> - - -	Railroads		<u>B</u> <u>5 4</u> - -	Subversion and Insurgency
<u>C</u> <u>5</u> - - -	Highways		<u>C</u> <u>5 4</u> - -	Agriculture, Fisheries, and Forestry
<u>B</u> <u>5</u> - - -	Inland Waterways		<u>B</u> <u>5 4</u> - -	Fuels
<u>B</u> <u>5</u> - - -	Ports and Naval Facilities		<u>C</u> <u>5 4</u> - -	Electric Power
<u>C</u> <u>5</u> - - -	Merchant Marine		<u>B</u> <u>5 4</u> - -	Minerals and Metals
<u>C</u> <u>5</u> - - -	Civil Air		<u>C</u> <u>5</u> - - -	Manufacturing and Construction
			<u>B</u> <u>2 4 5</u> - -	Trade and Finance
			<u>B</u> <u>2 4 5</u> - -	Armed Forces
			<u>D</u> - - - -	Marine Climate
			<u>D</u> - - - -	Oceanography

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5. In general, do you consider yourself:

- a. Regular user of NIS publications  
 b. Infrequent user

6. If you checked 5,a, above, which of the following best describes NIS usefulness:  
 (If more than one applies, indicate rank by using 1 for highest.)

- 1 Principal source of information  
 2 Secondary source  
 3 Supplies information in a conveniently assembled form not otherwise available  
 4 Supplies corroborative information  
 5 Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

7. If you checked 5,b, above, which of the following best describes your reasons for only infrequent use:  
 (If more than one applies, indicate rank by using 1 for highest.)

- 1 Not readily available  
 2 Not sufficiently current  
 3 Too summarized and generalized  
 4 Too detailed  
 5 Only marginally related to my needs  
 6 Needs filled by other publications (specify) \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

 7 NIS of value only in conjunction with other publications (specify) \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 8 Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_8. Has the NIS been consulted for crisis situations, crash projects, or emergency planning?  
*i.e. INFREQUENTLY, IF AT ALL.* 1 Yes     2 No    Why? *CRISSES & CRASH PROJECTS USUALLY EMERGE FROM CURRENT EVENTS THE IMMEDIATE BACKGROUND OF WHICH IS NOT COVERED BY NIS*  
 If you checked "Yes" above, how useful was it under these circumstances? 1 Excellent     2 Good     3 Adequate     4 Marginal

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9. With reference to the NIS publications listed in 4, above, what are the major shortcomings you have found in the NIS? (Please relate these to your own needs, considering adequacy of coverage, reliability of content, currency, length and detail of presentation, and security classification.)

I HAVE FOUND THE PUBLICATIONS TO BE UNIFORMLY EXCELLENT FOR MY PURPOSES.  
AS A BASIC, RELIABLE REFERENCE, THEY ARE MATCHED IN GENERAL COMPREHENSIVENESS BY NO OTHER SINGLE SOURCE.  
INDEED, EVEN "OUTDATED" ISSUES ARE FREQUENTLY A SOURCE OF DATA NOT OTHERWISE EASILY OBTAINABLE.

(answer may be continued on the reverse)

10. What specific suggestions can you make for improving the content (including graphics), coverage, organization, and format of NIS units?

I HAVE NO SIGNIFICANT CRITICAL COMMENTS. HOWEVER,  
AN INDEX FOR EACH OF THE LARGER, MORE VOLUMINOUS PUBLICATIONS  
WOULD BE USEFUL.

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Signature (optional)